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Kīlauea traffic crash results in fatality

KĪLAUEA – Police have confirmed that a 28-year-old Kīlauea man died as a result of an apparent head-on traffic crash that occurred Saturday night on Kūhiō Highway, in the vicinity of the Kahili Makai Street junction in Kīlauea.

The man's identity has not yet been released.

A preliminary investigation reveals that shortly before 9 p.m., a white Dodge pickup truck was heading south on Kūhiō Highway when it apparently crossed the centerline and struck an oncoming black Ford Ranger truck.

The driver of the Ford was presumed dead at the scene.

The driver of the Dodge, a 22-year-old Kīlauea man, sustained non-life threatening injuries and was transported by ambulance to Wilcox Hospital where he was treated and has since been released.

Kūhiō Highway was closed in both directions for approximately five hours to allow KPD's Traffic Safety Section to conduct an on-scene investigation.

The investigation of the crash remains ongoing.

Police are asking anyone who may have seen the collision or may have any information on the crash to contact Lieutenant James Miller at 241-1611. Those wishing to remain anonymous can call Crime Stoppers Kaua'i at 246-8300.